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TO : Assistant Director for Operations

FROM : Chief, Foreign Documents Division

SUBJECT: FDD Monthly Progress Report - December 1952

DATE: 9 January 1953

ADMINISTRATION

1. Twenty-three clerical positions in Reports Branch were reclassified, as of 4 December, raising the "Editorial Clerk (Typing)" level from GS-3 to GS-4. One Documents Control Branch position was reclassified from Translator, GS-7 to Intelligence Officer, GS-9.

2. A practice air raid alert was held on 12 December in cooperation with the Civil Defense Administration.

3. In preparation for issuance of new badges, Inspection and Security Office photographed 114 persons on 11 December.

4. Start of the Human Resources Program was scheduled for 6 January 1953.

5. First shipments of air conditioning units were received for installation in the FDD area.

OPERATIONS

1. FDD participated in two conferences initiated by ORR regarding solutions for problems developed in abstracting of SODB enclosures. Proposals for correction are being drafted by OCD.

2. The FDD Linguist Consultant Service in M Building acted on 18 requirements involving 1,187 foreign-language pages in Russian, German, French, and Czech.

3. Special collation of items from the Soviet press was started in response to an FI requirement. An Autostat machine was installed by FDD for this project.

4. Two more seminars of FDD and ORR personnel were held to consider requirements against the Division's potential. Visits by ORR analysts noticeably increased as a result of the seminar series.

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6. [] received a written commendation from Economic Defense Division, ORR, for his work in collating valuable information on transportation for an urgent requirement.

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7. Special translation was made of [] Hillman's "Mr. President" for the DCI and President Truman. Urgent translations into German and French were performed for ORR to be used at []

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8. Following conferences with FDD, [] Operations Staff, OSI, is planning a project, subject to FDD concurrence, for increasing the volume of information for the OSI indexing project on the USSR, and for OSI's projected "Scientific Institute Register."

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9. First group of scientific and technical periodicals were received as a result of arrangements made with Foreign Technical Section, ONI. These publications, for FDD retention, are procured [] and will be forwarded regularly by FTS/ONI.

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[] issues July through September 1952 of the "Inner Mongolian Daily" published in Ulan Hoto, were received.

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[] furnished newspapers from Mukden, North Korea, and Japanese language publications of []

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10. Noteworthy reports:

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- Describes changes in the top economic control of Hungary
- Indications of deficiencies in the Hungarian machine-tool industry
- Describes movement of strategic materials in China
- Report on the CCP control of press and publications
- Information on the purge conducted by the Central Committee of the Austrian Communist Party

FDD Summary No 82 -- Dissertations presented for degrees in science and engineering in Moscow in 1949

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Enclosures: 2

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